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"Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation" Mark 16:15

2025 Benefice Worship Pattern

1st Sunday of the month

8am	St Paul's	BCP* Holy Communion
9:30	St Paul's	Worship
11am	Holy Trinity	Worship
11am	St Mary's	Worship

2nd Sunday of the month

8am	St Mary's	BCP* Holy Communion
9:30	St Paul's	Worship
11am	Holy Trinity	Holy Communion
11am	St Mary's	All-age Worship

3rd Sunday of the month

9:30	St Paul's	Holy Communion
11am	Holy Trinity	BCP* Morning Worship
11am	St Mary's	Holy Communion

****These are services using the Book of Common Prayer***

4th Sunday 10.30am Benefice Holy Communion

***January, April, July, October at Holy Trinity Badgeworth
February, May, August, November at St Mary's Great Witcombe***

March, June, September, December at St Paul's Shurdington

5th Sunday Benefice Service at 10am "Let's Worship"

usually in Shurdington Church of England Primary School

DON'T FORGET TO LOOK AT OUR NOTICEBOARDS AND ONLINE FOR SEASONAL SERVICES SUCH AS CHRISTMAS, EASTER, HARVEST ETC.

Find us on social media on Facebook:

@GreenwayChurches

SHURDINGTON CHURCH HALL

School Lane, Shurdington

Lettings for groups and private functions.

Rates £25 large room, £20 small room per session

Further details from the church administrator by
emailing greenway.bswb.office@gmail.com

WITCOMBE & BENTHAM VILLAGE HALL

Enquiries should be made to the Custodian

07518 137635

witcombevillagehall@gmail.com

www.witcombevillagehall.co.uk

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Car park oposite the hall for hall users.

Hire charge £25 per session

(8am-1pm, 1-6pm, 6-11pm).

For enquiries and bookings, please email

badgeworthvillagehall@gmail.com

or call 07895 764947.

Badgeworth Village Hall Management Committee

SHURDINGTON COMMUNITY CENTRE

The Community Centre consists of two spacious halls,
a room which links both, and a grassed open space.

Events may be booked by following the 'Bookings' link
on our website : shurdingtoncomcentre.net

Email: bookings@shurdingtoncomcentre.net

Tel: 07483 303190

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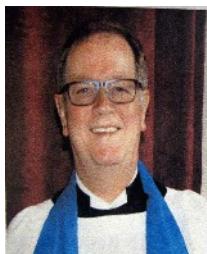


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by Wednesday 17th September



Pastoral Letter

Robert writes



September
2025

My dear friends

It is a long time since I wrote a September Parish Letter, 2021 in fact, at the end of Covid lock down, restrictions were easing, and we found ourselves with a new “normal”. It all seems a long time ago now, though we still have a few legacy practices that will take a while to disappear.

By and large we now meet in large groups with little concern. Indeed, my wife Jane and I went to see the Edinburgh Military Tattoo in August, having booked a “Lochs & Glens” (other travel companies are available) short holiday which included the event. A long-held wish was fulfilled.

Having been, I was struck by the difference between watching it on TV and being there. Normally one has a better view on TV, but I have to say that is not necessarily so in this case. From where we sat, I was able to see the intricate patterns of drill followed by the bands when they left the main arena as the next item began at the far end. The atmosphere was wonderful too as the terraces were completely full of spectators enjoying the spectacle.

Being a “Shed Head” at Gloucester Rugby I know only too well the difference between “being there” and watching remotely. For me atmosphere is everything.

It is similar with church services. Being present and taking part in services, especially those such as Reverend Daniel’s Ordination, are experiences to treasure for long periods afterwards. I

would be a rich person financially if I were given a pound for every time I hear someone say, “you don’t have to go to church to be a Christian”. Yet how many would say “you don’t have to go and watch a football match at Old Trafford to be to be a Manchester United fan”. You don’t, but the commitment and experiences, and the resulting memories, are so much the less, are are they not?

Sometimes the lack of attending church causes all sorts of worries and concerns, especially for those who have either never been or have not been for a very long time. I have found that so many have very strange and restrictive ideas of etiquette and perceptions of what is, and is not, acceptable especially for funerals and memorial services. This is particularly so in terms of music choices. Can we play this? Can we have that? Are we *allowed to play* music by such and such artist or band? The reality is that, as far as I know, no music is specifically banned from use in church, though taste and decorum may suggest certain tracks are better played at the refreshments or family gathering afterwards where they can be enjoyed more readily.

This brings me to the point that, no matter how often or recently anyone has been in church, there is always a welcome for you. Yes, the regulars will be well practiced in the structure of the service, and you may feel a bit lost by comparison, but you will be helped if you if we see you need it. I am mindful here of the words spoken to Harry Potter by Dumbledore “Help will always be given at Hogwarts for those who ask for it”.

I hope that, if you have read this letter, and feel that you just *might* like to come along, then please do. After all, there is nothing like *being there* is there?

Robert Poole
Reader.

Benefice Diary

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Saturday	6	Coffee and Chat	28
		Picnic-in-the-Park	22
Monday	8	Open Monday	12
Friday	12	Book Club	13
Saturday	13	Ride-and-stride	19
Thursday	18	Gardening Society	11
Wednesday	24	Julian meeting	8
Saturday	27	Coffee Morning +	25
Sun. 28 Th - 4 th		Eco-week	20
Monday	29	Open Monday	13

October			
Friday	3	Harvest Supper	26
Saturday	4	Coffee and Chat	28
		Family Experience	6
Sunday	5	Harvest Festival	6
Monday	13	Open Monday	12
Friday	17	Book Club	14
		Witcombe Quiz	29
Saturday	18	MU Coffee Morning	23
Saturday	25	Coffee Morning +	25
Monday	27	Open Monday	12

Every Monday (except Bank Holidays) Greenway Gifts
 Every Thursday in term-time Community Choir

Special Church Services September and October 2025

Our usual pattern of services is on the inside back cover of this magazine.

Care Home Worship

Please contact us to confirm, but usually, Badgeworth Praise is held on the first & third Wednesday of each month, at 11:30am in Badgeworth Court – contact Rachel Cottell. On the third Wednesday, we usually offer Holy Communion. For Chargrove Praise at Chargrove Lawn please contact Sue Padfield. Holy Communion is offered at Atherton House in the lounge, usually on the first Wednesday of the month at 11am – contact Reverend Daniel.

Thursday prayers:

On 4th September and 2nd October, prayers will be in school at 8:30am, followed by 9am morning prayer in St Paul's church.

Usually, on other Thursdays in the month (2nd, 3rd, 4th & 5th), morning prayer is online at 9am on zoom. Please email greenway.bswb.office@gmail.com for the link to the meetings.

ECO-WEEK Sunday 28th September

On Sunday 28th September, we launch our annual Eco-Week with a service at St Paul's at 10:30am. All are welcome. See the Eco-Week advert for details about how to join in with eco activities.

As it's the 4th Sunday of the month, it's the only service in our three churches.

GREENWAY FAMILY EXPERIENCE

Saturday 4th October

On Saturday 4th October at St Paul's Church, you are invited to another Greenway Family Experience, this time with an Eco/Harvest theme. Weather permitting, most of our time will be spent exploring and worshipping outside. We start promptly at 3pm, ending with tea and cake at 4pm.

Suitable for all ages, buggy and wheelchair friendly, with disabled facilities in the church hall. If you haven't tried one of our family experiences, do come along – you will receive a warm welcome, and a potentially much needed hot drink at the end!

HARVEST Sunday 5th October

At the end of Eco-Week, we celebrate Harvest in all three churches, on Sunday 5th October. All are welcome as ever. The services are at 8am and 9:30am at St Paul's Shurdington, and 11am at both St Mary's Great Witcombe and Holy Trinity Badgeworth. Donations of non-perishable goods gratefully received, most of which will go to Greenway Gifts (our food bank).

Greenway Benefice Churches

How to find us:

Holy Trinity Badgeworth
Church Lane
Badgeworth
Gloucester
GL51 4UL

(Registered Charity number 1209315)

St Paul's Shurdington
School Lane
Shurdington
Cheltenham
GL51 4TF

St Mary* the Virgin Witcombe with Bentham
Great Witcombe
Gloucester
*GL3 4TS**

**turnings off Ermin Way or Birdlip Hill*

You can also see more information on A Church Near You.

Simply type "A Church Near You Badgeworth" or "A Church Near You Shurdington" or "A Church Near You Witcombe" into your search engine.



Useful Phone Numbers:



Furniture Recycling Warehouse	01452 331333
Removal of Bulky Waste	01684 295010
Glos Highways	0800 0 514 514
Faulty Streetlights	0800 0 514 514
Police (non-emergency)	101
101 is 15p, the local call number is	01452 726920
Fire/Police/Ambulance	999
(emergency only)	
NHS 'Out of Hours'	08454 220220
NHS Help line	111
Adult social services and	
District nurses	01452 328224
Samaritans	116123
Citizens Advice	01452 527202
Children's social services	01452 328213
CARE direct	0800 444000
Electricity Power Loss	0800 328 1111
Water Services &	0800 783 4444
Emergencies	
Gas Emergency	0800 111 999
Emmaus*	01452 413095

*at Chequers Road, Gloucester:

Collections and Sale of furniture, electrical goods etc.

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Julian Meeting

Meeting in silence with God

Please do join us for 30 minutes of silent prayer followed
by a cup of tea together.

Time: 2:30pm Wednesday September 24th 2025

Place: 52 Lambert Avenue, Shurdington. GL51 4ST

Ian & Wendy Davies (01242 861293)



Shurdington church and village organisations

Churchwardens	Mr Andrew Spence	(01242) 862101
PCC Secretary	Mrs Lisa Pearson	(01242) 862538
PCC Treasurer	Mrs Christine Langham	(01242) 861218
Gift Aid Officer		
Sacristan	Mr Andrew Spence	(01242) 862101
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Electoral Roll Officer	Mrs Lisa Pearson	(01242) 862538
Mothers' Union	Mrs Janet Holmes	(01242) 862989
Church Hall Lettings		
Verger		
Parish Council Clerk	John Kay	07841204404
Shurdington Pre School	Kelly Clifford	07867813627
Gardening Society	Mr. G. Woodruffe	07792269353
Scout Group	Mrs Louise Slee	
	15thcheltenhamscoutgroup@gmail.com	
Shurdington Sports Club	Mr J Barnfield	(01242) 862826
Friendship Club	Mrs Maureen West	(01242) 863991
Children's Society	Mrs Helen King	(01242) 862505

In time of illness if you would like a visit and / or to be remembered in prayer please contact Clare Stewart (01242) 862598, Sue Padfield (01452) 862509.

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Witcombe & Bentham church and village organisations

Churchwardens	Mrs Sue Padfield	(01452) 862509
	Mrs Lynne Cooper	(01452) 864523
PCC Secretary	Mrs Sue Padfield	(01452) 862509
PCC Treasurer/Gift Aid Officer	Mr Jon Frewin	07808912217
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Captain of Bells		
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Witcombe Under 5s	Kyla Hill	thevictoria@btinternet.com



Badgeworth church and Village organisations

Churchwardens	Mr Roger Brown	(01242) 239179
	Mr Paul Stanfield	(01242) 463626
PCC Secretary	Mrs Antoinette Wilson	(01452) 856907
PCC Treasurer	Mrs Hazel Cotton	(01452) 857180
Gift Aid Officer	Mr Roger Brown	(01242) 239179
Sacristan	Mrs Sue Avery	(01242) 520388
Verger	Mrs Rachel Cottell	(01452) 715034
Captain of Bells	Mr David Turner	(01452) 712302
Electoral Roll Officer	Mr Roger Brown	(01242) 239179
Parish Council Clerk	Mrs H.L. Jones	07840073143
Village Hall	Mrs Rachel Cottell	(01452) 715034
Friends of Church	Mrs Beverly Pickering	(01452) 712907



SHURDINGTON & BADGEWORTH GARDENING SOCIETY



Our meeting on 18th September is a talk by Duncan Coombs on The Shaded Garden. This will be at 7.30 in the Millennium hall.

Well what a dry summer – it's not often I wish for rain but the gardens certainly need it. I hope that you have all remembered that the birds and insects need water as well and have kept bird baths etc. topped up.

To save money, collect ripe seeds from your favourite flowers and store (make sure to label) read to sow in the spring. You can also take cuttings from fuchsias, salvias etc.

Hopefully you are able to harvest any vegetables that you have grown and store if not able to eat straight away. Main crop potatoes need lifting, dried and stored in hessian or paper sacks.

Stay safe keep gardening

Janette Willis (Secretary)

SAVE the DATE

WITCOMBE with BENTHAM/WSF FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Saturday 6 September Picnic-in-the-Park from 12:30pm

Friday 17 October The Witcombe Quiz 7.30pm

Saturday 29 November Bingo + Fish'nChips 7pm

more details to follow

Open Mondays at Shurdington Community Centre

Century Hall from 11am – 4pm
Second and last Monday of the month.

Refreshments

No charge and all are welcome.

Newspapers, jigsaws, table tennis, charge your phone or just have a chat.

Between 2pm and 4pm, there will be a family film showing on our cinema system.

Play facilities for children and on the last Monday of the month, an **NHS run Baby Hub**.

All welcome



Supported by: **Shurdington Parish Council, Tewkesbury
Warm Spaces
Community Fund, Gloucester Thriving Communities,
National Grid Community Matters
Gloucestershire Community Foundation**



BOOKS AND BANTER

book club

We are a friendly bunch of book lovers, meeting ten times a year in Beauty and the Teacup in Shurdington at 6pm, usually on the second Friday of the month.

New members are always welcome.

Our next meeting is on Friday 12th Sept

Here are the remaining dates for 2025 for your diaries:


17th October (not the second Friday)

14th November

& 12th December 2025

If you'd like to join, please email

revsusancooke@gmail.com or ask Wendy in Beauty and the Teacup or just turn up! All welcome! *Susan & Wendy.*



Shurdington Community Wellbeing activities

Event	Day & Time	Details	Contact
Bingo @CC	First Friday of every month	£8 to play, profits go to charity.	Just turn up
Books and Banter @BATT	Monthly, on Fridays, 6pm	Reading group (10 meetings a year)	Susan Cooke revsusancooke@gmail.com 01242 321806 or
Busy Hands @SC	2 nd Weds of each month, 10am 12noon	Monthly crafting activity, open to all	Beth Jones 07411121806 or Charlotte
Cards and socialising @BATT	After lunch till 3pm, Weds – Sun	Come along for a game of cards or a board game	Just turn up!
Chair Based Exercise Class @CC	Every Thursday 11am	Free Tea, coffee and snack. Suitable for everyone	miles@pendulumfitness.co.uk Or call Miles on
Clubbercise Combat @CC	Saturday 9am - 9:45	£6 per session, pay on the door	
Crafty Afternoon @BATT	1st Weds of the month 2pm-4pm	Join in with a craft project or bring your own	Wendy Lovett or Beth Jones

50+ Dance Fitness Class @CC	Thursdays, 10am 11am	First class free	Prue Howlett pruehowlett@gmail.com
Friendship Group Lunch @BATT	Thursdays 12:30pm	All welcome, no need to book. Special offer meal, pudding & hot drink = £12.95	Wendy Lovett w.lovett63@gmail.com 07786986002

Greenway Community Choir @SPCH	Thursday evenings, term time only 7:30pm	All welcome, no auditions, free of charge	Susan Cooke
Greenway Gifts @SPCH	Mondays 9 to 10am (except Bank Holidays) And on 3 rd Mondays, this includes cake and chat	Village foodbank, no referral necessary	Susan Cooke
Open Mondays @CC	11am - 4pm 2nd & 4th Mon of month	Refreshments, games, relax, family film from 2pm, free	Just turn up
Pilates Classes @CC	Every Tuesday 6:30 7:30pm	Suitable for all levels and ages	Call Kate on 07974370572 or email kp@elkstonegrove.c
Prize Bingo @BATT	Last Fri of the month, 7pm	Families welcome	Wendy Lovett

Theatre trip @BATT	Thursday matinee, once a month		Wendy Lovett
Whist Weds @BATT	Every Wednesday 7pm		Wendy Lovett

Venue key CC = Community Centre BATT = Beauty and the Teacup

TBI – The Bell Inn SPCH – St Paul’s Church Hall SC = Shurdington Chapel

Meet the Bishop's Advisor for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing

We are delighted to welcome Philippa Donald as the Bishop's Advisor for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing.

Philippa started learning British Sign Language (BSL) in 2021, and she hopes to use her skills to be a friendly point of contact for anyone seeking to explore the Christian faith or find a church community.

She said: "I'm very excited and honoured to be taking on the role of 'Bishop's Advisor for the deaf and hard of hearing' in the Diocese of Gloucester. It has been one of the desires of my heart for some time, to see our churches and church services becoming more accessible to those with whom we cannot communicate in the traditional way of speaking and being heard.

"British Sign Language has its own alphabet. There is a sign for each letter, but most words have their own sign, and some signs can work for several words.

"The sentence structure in BSL is also different from English, and all elements must work together – including facial expressions, which convey the mood of what you are signing. It can be challenging, but it's very rewarding when someone understands your efforts to communicate.

"The message of God's love and salvation for everyone needs to be able to be proclaimed to all, in a way that they can receive, understand and respond.

"Please pray for me as I begin this exciting new role, that it will enable more people to hear the good news of Jesus Christ for themselves and begin or continue their journey of faith."

There is a video of Philippa introducing herself in BSL. You can watch this by visiting <https://gloucester.anglican.org/2025/meet-the-bishops-advisor-for-the-deaf-and-hard-of-hearing>.

Welcoming people into church this month

As schools reopen and daily routines restart after the summer months, September can be a time when people decide to explore new activities or connect with local community groups, including getting involved with church. It's a good time to think about welcome, particularly for new people in an area who might be looking for community and connection.

Robin Riordan, Churchwarden in Tidenham Parish, shares how the churches in Tidenham parish – St Luke's in Tutshill, St Mary and St Peter's in Tidenham, and St Michael and All Angels in Tidenham Chase – welcome people in and aim to make everyone feel included.

Openness is at the heart of all three churches in the parish. We want anyone who comes in to feel like they are part of the church family. We are always happy to welcome new members and grow.

We have a welcoming team, alongside sidespeople. There's always someone greeting people as they arrive, and others who continue the welcome inside. When new people come through the door, several people will say hello and chat with them. We try to create a space where everyone feels noticed and at ease.

We have coffee on offer after some services, to give people a chance to meet and chat. We also run activities in the community that are non-faith based, like coffee mornings, baby and toddler groups, Pilates in the church building, and music evenings. These are ways people can get to know the church without needing to come to a service first.

We have strong links with our local primary school; the schoolchildren sometimes do assemblies at the church. The families become familiar with us through combined activities like this.

We make sure to be visible in the community through our website and Facebook page. Being approachable helps people feel comfortable reaching out or dropping in.

Our goal is that when anyone walks through the doors, whether they come once or regularly, they feel welcome and part of something friendly and supportive.

Ride and Stride is back for 2025

Ride and Stride is back, for 2025, taking place on 13 September. This annual event invites people across Gloucestershire and North Bristol to visit churches by walking, cycling, horse-riding or using public transport to raise money. Funds raised are split between the participant's chosen church and Gloucestershire Historic Churches Trust (GHCT) which provides grants for vital repair and improvement work. In 2024, Ride and Stride raised over £36,000, supporting projects such as roof repairs, fire door replacements and improved wheelchair access. If you'd like to get involved this year, whether by taking part in the Ride and Stride itself or by putting on an event at your church, further information can be found at <https://ghct.org.uk/ride-and-stride/take-part>.

Events and training

More details for all these events at gloucester.anglican.org/events

Readers and lay ministry licensing service 2025, Gloucester Cathedral, 12 College Green, Gloucester, GL1 2LY, 13 September

All are invited to this special occasion which celebrates the calling and commitment of those stepping into lay ministry.

<https://gloucester.anglican.org/event/annual-readers-and-licensed-funeral-ministers-2025>

The Choral Pilgrimage 2025, Tewkesbury Abbey, Church Street, Tewkesbury, GL20 5RZ, 13 September

A programme of music spanning six centuries, blending medieval and contemporary works to inspire inner peace.

<https://thesixteen.com/event/the-choral-pilgrimage-2025-tewkesbury>

NAFAS national show 2025, Gloucester Cathedral, 12 College Green, Gloucester, GL1 2LY, 18 to 20 September

The National Association of Flower Arrangement Societies will be giving floral displays, tutorials, workshops and speeches.

<https://gloucestercathedral.org.uk/whats-on/nafas-national-show-2025>

A morning of Sustainable Church Flowers, St Mary's Church, Fairford GL7 4AF, 19 September

A morning of Sustainable Church Flowers, including flower arranging demonstrations, a talk about 'Flowers on the Farm', ideas for harvest and winter, and beverages. <https://gloucester.anglican.org/event/a-morning-of-sustainable-church-flowers>

GHCT Ride & Stride

The annual "Ride & Stride" in aid of the Gloucestershire Historic Churches Trust will be taking place on Saturday, 13 September, and Sue Padfield and Lynne Cooper will again be walking on behalf of St Mary's. 50% of all money they raise in sponsorship (exclusive of Gift Aid) goes to St Mary's.

Sue has set up a JustGiving page at

www.justgiving.com/page/suepadfield25 As Sue says on that page, "Lynne and I are fund-raising to support the fabric and mission of the historic churches of Gloucestershire, including our parish church of St Mary, Witcombe with Bentham. We have received a grant from GHCT recently towards the installation of a Hearing loop and PA system at St Mary's. We are hugely grateful for your support in the past and wonder if you would very kindly support us again."

In due course, there will also be a joint sponsorship form on the notice-board in St Mary's, but the charity prefers sponsorship to be via JustGiving, if at all possible, because it reduces administrative overheads. If you do end up writing a cheque, please be sure to make it out to **Gloucestershire Historic Churches Trust** in full, and not to the abbreviated form GHCT; the charity will then reimburse our share.

Robin

Greenway Benefice - Badgeworth, Shurdington and
Witcombe with Bentham.

Eco-Week 2025

28th September – 4th October

This year, Eco-Week starts on Sunday 28th September,
with a launch at our 4th Sunday
service at St Paul's Church Shurdington at 10.30am. It
runs all week. You are invited to join
in. Do anything "eco" and let others know what you're
doing. Invite others to join in too.

This is our chance to celebrate our beautiful world and all
that it holds! This is open to
individuals, churches, families, schools, businesses, clubs
– in other words, anyone who would like to do something
special for our environment.

Find Eco-Week on Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/ecoweekgreenway>

And why not take a look at Greenway Churches page too:

<https://www.facebook.com/greenwaychurches>.

"Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation"

Mark 16:15

A MESSAGE from Revd. Rebecca.

Dear All,

I would like to say a huge “Thank You” for the lovely lunch party and the very generous gifts that you all organised for me at my last Benefice Service before I retired. As I said on the day, journeying with you over the past few years has been an absolute joy for me and Bill, and we have appreciated everyone’s kindness as I have embarked on my somewhat late-in-life journey into ordained ministry. Thank you also for the many beautiful cards that people have sent to mark this milestone .

Over the next six months I will be reflecting prayerfully on my next steps, and hope to return to some form of ordained ministry if and when Bishop Rachel is willing to grant me a licence giving me Permission to Officiate within the diocese. What form that might take and where it might place me must remain open to prayer, but please be assured that Greenway Benefice remains very close to my heart as I reflect on years past and pray to discern God’s future plans for me beyond my required six months of retirement leave.

Blessings, Revd. Rebecca.

Could you offer your time and expertise?

St Paul’s Church needs a Gift Aid Officer, while Holy Trinity Church needs a Treasurer. Both post holders can provide excellent handovers and support going forward. You do not need to be Christian, but should be able to embrace our ethos.

Experience in book keeping/accounts is necessary.

Please contact Susan, revsusancooke@gmail.com, if you might be able to help. Susan can put you in touch with the current post holders as well.

Thank you!



Picnic in The Park with Live Music

Bring your own Picnic
Tea, Cakes, Bar & Raffle
Set in the Gardens of Witcombe Park

Organised by WSF / PCC in aid of
Church and Community

SATURDAY

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SEPT

12:30 PM

Live Music:

1-3pm - Cynget - As seen at Cheltenham Jazz Festival

3:30-5pm - Max Stockin - Singer/Songwriter

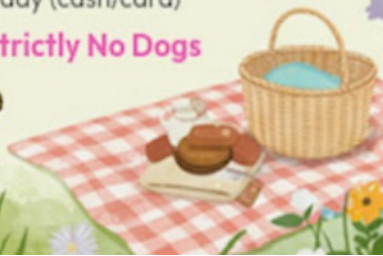
Witcombe Park

Great Witcombe, GL3 4TT

£5 per person, U16's free - advanced

Tickets 01452 862399 or purchase on the
day (cash/card)

Strictly No Dogs



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in the

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Saturday 18th

October

10-12noon

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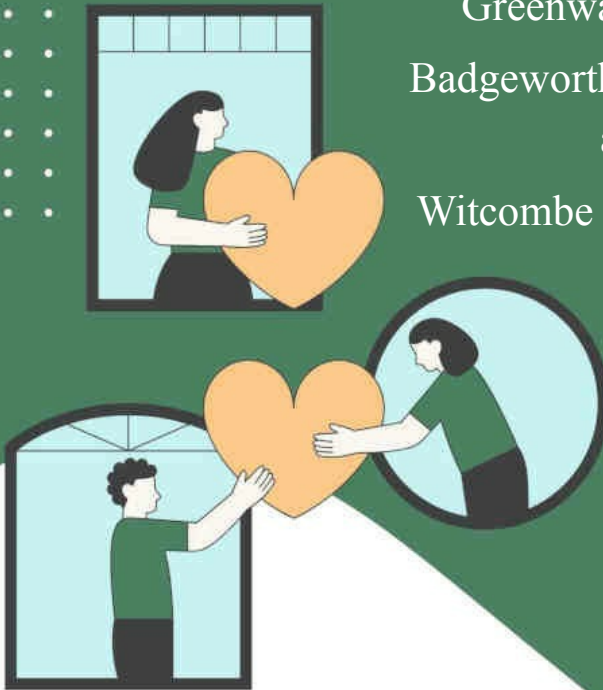
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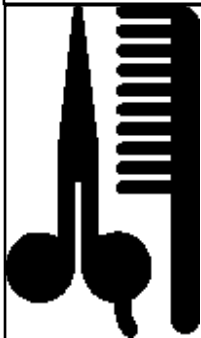
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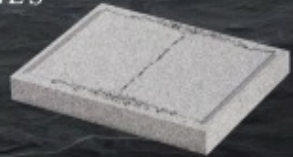
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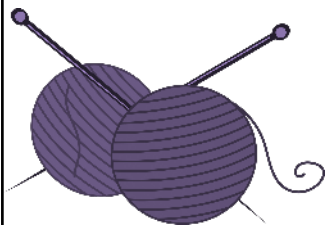
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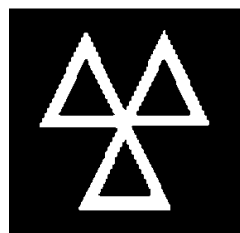
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